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not automatically apply, but since this one says it does apply, I see no reason to hold the bill over to determine whether it is constitutional or not.

PRESIDENT: The matter before us is the motion to bracket or lay over. Senator Duis, will you address yourself to that question.

SENATOR DUIS: Yes, sir. I believe though the constitutional provisions were met and I don't believe the motion is in order because of the fact the bill has been read. I think the proper motion would be...that is, the vote should be taken, and then if someone wants to hold it over, they should vote on the prevailing side and ask for reconsideration because the constitutional provisions of reading the bill have been met and I don't believe that the motion to lay over is in order.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dickinson on the motion to lay over.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. Chairman, you haven't told us, since Senator Chambers was on the floor and you allowed him to continue speaking, and that was fine, but you haven't told us who made the motion...

PRESIDENT: I think Senator DeCamp did.

SENATOR DICKINSON: ...or gave him an opportunity to present his reasons. I would suggest that the mover tell us why.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator DeCamp, did you make the motion to lay this matter over?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, I so move.

PRESIDENT: Did you wish to speak to that motion now? Senator Dickinson has suggested that you (inaudible).

SENATOR DICKINSON: No, I would like to hear Senator DeCamp speak to it please.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, when the issue came up I suggested that I thought there might be a problem, that somewhere in there, not only where the decrease is involved but because of the juggling, there also was an increase involved. We then had it researched. I think Senator Luedtke, in fact, called the Judiciary staff over and had them contact the Attorney General. I don't remember just exactly what happened after that. I do know the Judiciary staff reported back to myself, I think to Senator Kremer, to Senator Luedtke. They said they had contacted the Attorney General's office and they gave some kind of a written report. I can look for it. We will find it. He is contacting the Judiciary staff. I am certain that there is involved an increase but I would have to spend some time researching the statutes to explain just how it occurs. I think you shouldn't jeopardize the whole point system on this matter.